

REMARKS

Applicant requests entry of the above amendments to the claims as it places the claims in better form for consideration on Appeal.

CLAIM 22

The Examiner objected to claim 22 because there was insufficient antecedent basis for "said core spring" in line 16 and "said wedge" between lines 14 and 15.

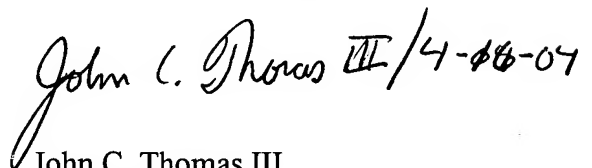
"Said core spring" was a typographical error and was amended to "said coil spring."

"Said wedge" was a typographical error and was amended to "said wedge means."

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims now in the application are in better form for consideration on appeal. Accordingly, entry of the Amendment is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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